The same charges on the 1st of September 1924 are Rs. 40,787 per month.

(*b*) Nil.

(*c*) 1. *Ore.*—Iron ore used in the Works has ordinarily no demand or market value and no royalty would have been realised by Government even if the Iron Works did not exist.

2. *Fuel.*—No fuel is supplied to the works free of cost. The Works meet all charges for the collection, preparation and transport of wood and also make a contribution towards the cost of the special forest staff employed on fuel collection.

(*d*) *Vide* answers to (*a*) and (*b*).

By Messrs. H. Boranna and A. Mahadevappa,—(Hassan Taluk).

Q.—29. With reference to the Administration Report of the Police Department for the year 1922-23 and the Government review thereon, will the Government be pleased to state what steps have been taken or will be taken—

(*a*) To improve the moral eand efficiency of the Department?

(*b*) To attract better type of recruits to the Police Department?

(*c*) To weed out inefficient hands from the Department?

Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments.—

A.—29. (*a*) Every attempt is made to keep up and improve the morale and efficiency of the Department by recognising honest and efficient work among the officers and punishing those who are found to be corrupt and inefficient.

(*b*) Educational qualifications have been prescribed for recruitment to the several grades and only those possessing these qualifications are generally appointed to them.

(*c*) Whenever instances of inefficiency of officers are brought to notice, they are suitably dealt with by removal of the officers or otherwise according to the circumstances of the case.

By Mr. Puttamallappa,—(Shikarpur Taluk).

Q.—30. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) How many posts, not being that of Amildars, fell vacant since 1921, in the offices of the Amildars, Sub-Division officers and Deputy Commissioners in the Mysore State?

(*b*) How many members of the Lingayet community and how many of the other communities have joined service in the State?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—30. (*a*) and (*b*) Information is being collected and will be furnished to the member after compilation.

BY MR. PUTTAMALLAPPA—(Shikarpur Taluk).

Q.—31. Will the Government be pleased to give information on the following:—

(*a*) The amount of contributions recovered in the Shimoga District and the tanks in respect of which and the date on which the contributions were recovered?

(*b*) What action has been taken for the restoration of such tanks?

(*c*) Whether the Government is aware of the inconvenience suffered by the raiyats on account of the non-restoration of the tanks in spite of the payment of the contribution amount?

(*d*) Whether the Government will make arrangements for the restoration of the tanks in the year in which the contributions are recovered?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—

A.—31. (*a*) A statement giving the information is placed on the table (*vide* Appendix VII).

(*b*) Of the 163 tanks for which contribution has been recovered, 64 have been restored and 8 others are in progress. In the case of 49 tanks, full contribution has not yet been recovered. The amounts recovered in respect of 23 tanks have been refunded as there was no prospect of their being taken up in the near future. The restoration of the remaining tanks will be taken up as funds permit.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Arrangements will be made to start the works as quickly as possible.

BY MESSRS. N. GURULINGAPPA and G. P. RANGAPPA,—(Honnali Taluk).

Q.—32. Will the Government be pleased to give information on the following:—

(*a*) What is the extent of land, affected by the unusual floods, which remained unsown in the Shimoga District during the year?